DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Are there occasions when such acts have taken place in other parts of the State?

THE HON. SRI N. NALLASENAPATHI SARKARAI MANRADIAR : In one or two places.

Government advertisements

* 139 *Q*.—SRI K. S. ABDUL WAHAB : Will the Hon. the Minister for Information be pleased to state—

(*a*) the criteria for giving Government advertisements to newspapers; and

(*b*) the names of papers to which Government advertisements were given during 1961–62?

THE HON. SRI G. BOOVARAGHAN : (*a*) The criteria governing the release of the Government advertisements to newspapers are as follows :—

(i) the circulation figures of the newspapers;

(ii) their tone and contents; and

(iii) the area or class of readers to whom a particular advertisement is directed.

(*b*) A list [a] is placed on the table of the House.

SRI K. S. ABDUL WAHAB : Sir, on the basis of circulation, will the Government consider the question of giving advertisements to opposition party papers, particularly, Nam Nadu, Murasoli, Dina Thanthi, Urimaikural, Marumalarchi, and Mani Vilakku?

MR. CHAIRMAN : The hon. Member cannot recommend particular papers.

Questions are over.

[*Note*.—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

III.—ANNOUNCEMENTS.

(1) MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

MR. CHAIRMAN : I have received a message from the Governor of Madras recommending to the Madras Legislative Council the consideration of the Madras Appropriation Bill, 1062.

(2) MESSAGES FROM THE ASSEMBLY

MR. CHAIRMAN : I have also received messages from the Hon. Speaker, Madras Legislative Assembly, transmitting copies of the following Bills as passed by the Assembly and signed by

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[a] Printed as Appendix I on page 485.